

## **Art Competition for the Addis Ababa American Space at NALA**

The U.S. Embassy is seeking various art works to display in the Addis Ababa American Space located within the National Archive and Library Agency (NALA). The American Space is currently being renovated and upgraded into a high-technology, state-of-the-art center that will host dynamic program activities using modern technology to stimulate knowledge sharing and innovation. Upon its re-opening, the American Space will serve as an information outpost and innovative engagement center for the general public. Some of the high-tech resources being deployed at the American Space include Kindles, iPads, 3D printers, 3D doodlers, and other technological tools that will create an atmosphere where youth and adults can come together to design, create, assemble, and innovate.

The U.S. Embassy strongly believes in the promotion and progress of Ethiopian art, therefore we would like to invite Ethiopian artists to submit their work for competition and possible display in our American Space. About 10 winning art works will be selected for display at the American Space gallery for a year at the lease fee of USD \$250 each. The art works shall be collected by the artist after a year. Interested artists are encouraged to submit the image of their art work electronically (PDF format, size: 150 to 200KB) to [Bemekonnen@yahoo.com](mailto:Bemekonnen@yahoo.com) by 15<sup>th</sup> January 2016. Lectures and programs on each piece of art will be arranged throughout the year in order to give the chance for the artists to explain about their works to the wider public.